

To Whom it May Concern:

I am currently an XM Subscriber and benefit greatly from XM's Instant Traffic & Weather channels. As an employee of Mississippi State University, I am required to travel regularly throughout the southern states. Before subscribing to XM it was not unusual for me to press scan on the radio and not be able to receive a clear channel for 15 miles or more. When XM began providing traffic and weather as a part of the package for which I pay a monthly fee, I was very excited. I am now able to check for weather and traffic reports providing me with the information I need when I need it. Without this service I am forced to listen to hours of public programming before ever getting the information I need. In fact, it's quite possible I would never get the information because of radio stations fading in and out as I travel to different areas. In considering my monthly bills, I must say, XM is the one I don't mind paying each month. I feel it is inappropriate for the National Association of Broadcasters to dictate what I listen to and when. I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kind of programing I depend on and deserve.

Sincerely,
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